

MNC-5110
4 March 1985

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Foreign Broadcast Information Service

THROUGH : Chief, Operations Group

SUBJECT : Monthly Report--Nicosia Bureau--February

I. GENERAL

A. Negotiations with the Archbishop of Cyprus for a four-acre plot of land for the new Nicosia Bureau were completed. This site, located on the western fringe of Nicosia, near the old airport, will be leased for 99 years. Formal signing of the lease is expected to occur in March, after both parties have approved the draft.

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B. Deputy Chief [] and Chief Arabic Monitor [] traveled to Cairo the week of 4 February to interview applicants for vacancies in the bureau's Arabic monitoring section. Eighteen candidates, selected from nearly 300 applications received in response to advertisements placed in the Cairo press, were interviewed and tested. From these, a "short list" of five was prepared and examined carefully. To date, the bureau has offered employment to two, and an offer will shortly be made to a third.

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II. OPERATIONS

A. Monitorial/Editorial

1. As domestic pressure escalated in opposition to Cyprus President Spiros Kiprianou's handling of the UN-sponsored summit with Turkish Cypriot leader Rauf Denktas, the bureau provided significant service to Embassy political officers, keeping them apprised of developments; this service included telephone briefings on and the expeditious processing of a parliamentary resolution criticizing Kiprianou and the president's rebuttal. Bureau efforts drew praise from Embassy DCM Tom Carolan.

2. Bureau received a message from the BBC Newburo lauding our "excellent coverage" of the 7 February hijacking of a Cyprus Airways plane in Beirut.

3. Per a request from MOD, the bureau's cruising and Persian monitors surveyed the clandestine Voice of Feda'i radio from 28 January to 4 February to assess reception and content.

B. Technical

1. One extel ASR B315 was repaired and was sent back to Gulf.

III. ADMINISTRATION

A. Visitors

1. FBIS Director [] visited the bureau 3-5 February in connection with the bureau's relocation plans.

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2. London Bureau Senior technician [] 4-6 February, to brief regional engineer on communications equipment recently installed in Jordan Bureau.

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B. Personnel

1. Senior Editor [] departed PCS 8 February. STAT
2. Editor [] was promoted to GS-10 effective 3 February. STAT
3. Arabic Monitor [] departed for Tel Aviv 24 February for a month's refresher work in Hebrew. STAT
4. Regional Engineer [] was TDY in Tel Aviv 5-10 February. STAT

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Bureau Chief
EBIS/Nicosia

ATTACHMENT:

Production Report

NICOSIA BUREAU PRODUCTION REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 1985

I. TOTALS FROM ALL SOURCES:

TOTAL PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	314,000
TOTAL NON-PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	87,600
(WIREFILED PROGRAM SUMMARIES	54,700)
(FYI'S, ADHINS, SVC., CRUISING,	32,900)
TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLISHABLE ITEMS FILED DURING MONTH:	939

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II. INPUT OF REGULAR COVERAGE: ----- (MINUTES OR ISSUES PER WEEK)	10,385 MIN	21,840 MIN	146 ISSUES

III. OUTPUT FROM ALL SOURCES:

(PUBLISHABLE WORDS PER MONTH)

CHINA	
BEIJING IN	
PERSIAN TO IRAN	0

CLANDESTINE (LEVANT)	
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF ARAB LEBANON IN	
ARABIC	9,200
(CLANDESTINE) RADIO FREE LEBANON IN	
ARABIC	9,000
(CLANDESTINE) RADIO FREE LEBANON IN	
ENGLISH	2,100
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF THE MOUNTAIN IN	
ARABIC	6,000

CYPRUS		
NICOSIA DOMESTIC SERVICE IN		
ENGLISH	300	
NICOSIA DOMESTIC SERVICE IN		
GREEK	15,900	
NICOSIA TELEVISION SERVICE IN		
GREEK	2,300	
NICOSIA CYPRUS MAIL IN		
ENGLISH		600
NICOSIA I ELEUTHEROTIPIA IN		
GREEK		3,900
NICOSIA I ELEUTHEROTIPIA TIS DHEFTERAS IN		
GREEK		0
NICOSIA I SIMERINI IN		
GREEK		3,300
NICOSIA I SIMERINI TIS DHEUTERAS IN		
GREEK		0
NICOSIA KHARAVYI IN		
GREEK		4,000
NICOSIA KHARAVYI TIS DHEUTERAS IN		
GREEK		600
NICOSIA O AGON IN		
GREEK		1,500
NICOSIA O AGON TIS DHEUTERAS IN		
GREEK		400
NICOSIA O FILELEUTHEROS IN		
GREEK		400
NICOSIA O FILELEUTHEROS TIS DHEUTERAS IN		
GREEK		0
NICOSIA PRESS AND INFORMATION OFFICE IN		
ENGLISH		20,200
NICOSIA TA NEA IN		
GREEK		1,200
NICOSIA TURKISH CYPRIOT INFORMATION OFFICE IN		
ENGLISH		2,300

EGYPT		
CAIRO DOMESTIC SERVICE IN		
ARABIC	18,300	
CAIRO PALESTINE RADIO IN		
ARABIC	0	
CAIRO MENA IN		
ARABIC		61,300
CAIRO MENA IN		
ENGLISH		1,100
(EDITORIAL REPORT IN		
ARABIC)	400	

FRANCE
PARIS AFP IN
ENGLISH

20,500

GREECE
ATHENS DOMESTIC SERVICE IN
GREEK
ATHENS AKROPOLIS IN
GREEK
ATHENS AKROPOLIS TIS KIRIAKIS IN
GREEK
ATHENS ATHENS NEWS IN
ENGLISH
ATHENS ELEUTHEROTIPIA IN
GREEK
ATHENS EXORNISI TIS KIRIAKIS IN
GREEK
ATHENS I AYVI IN
GREEK
ATHENS I KATHIMERINI IN
GREEK
ATHENS KIRIAKATIKI ELEUTHEROTIPIA IN
GREEK
ATHENS MESIMORINI IN
GREEK
ATHENS NEA PORIA IN
GREEK
ATHENS RIZOSPASTIS IN
GREEK
ATHENS TA NEA IN
GREEK
ATHENS TO VIMA TIS KIRIAKIS IN
GREEK

18,200

700

1,400

700

1,600

0

500

1,400

200

4,700

0

900

4,200

0

IRAQ
BAGHDAD IN
PERSIAN TO IRAN

0

BEIRUT DOMESTIC SERVICE

ARABIC	38,000	
BEIRUT DOMESTIC SERVICE IN		
ENGLISH	5,100	
BEIRUT VOICE OF LEBANON IN		
ARABIC	19,200	
BEIRUT VOICE OF LEBANON IN		
ENGLISH	200	
INDIN RADIO OF FREE & UNIFIED		
LEBANON IN		
ARABIC	1,200	
TRIPOLI LEBANON ISLAMIC UNIFICATION		
RADIO IN		
ARABIC	100	
BEIRUT AL-NAHAR IN		
ARABIC		100
BEIRUT AL-SAFIR IN		
ARABIC		1,700
BEIRUT MONDAY MORNING IN		
ENGLISH		4,300

LIBYA

TRIPOLI DOMESTIC SERVICE IN		
ARABIC	0	

TURKEY

ANKARA YANKI IN		
TURKISH		0
ISTANBUL KULVAR IN		
TURKISH		1,000
ISTANBUL CUMHURİYET IN		
TURKISH		1,200
ISTANBUL DUNYA IN		
TURKISH		0
ISTANBUL GUNAYDIN IN		
TURKISH		1,300
ISTANBUL GUNES IN		
TURKISH		2,300
ISTANBUL HURRIYET IN		
TURKISH		1,600
ISTANBUL MILLIYET IN		
TURKISH		2,700
ISTANBUL TERCUMAN IN		
TURKISH		4,600

UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLIC
MOSCOW IN

GREEK TO CYPRUS	0	
MOSCOW IN		
PERSIAN TO IRAN	10,100	